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1. ON APRIL 27 CONGEN RECEIVED LETTER FROM BG GETACHEW, MARTIAL LAW ADMINISTRATOR, RESPONDING TO GALBRAITH'S LETTER DATED APRIL 2. THE GIST OF GETACHEW'S LETTER WAS THAT EPMG WAS PLEASED AT GALBRAITH'S ORGANIZATION'S WILLINGNESS TO PERMIT THEM TO RE-OPEN GHINDA HOSPITAL.

2. WITH REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC REQUESTS MADE BY GALBRAITH, GETACHEW WAS RESPONSIVE TO ALL EXCEPT QUESTION RAISED ABOUT WHOLE OR PARTIAL COMPENSATION FOR UP TO ETH\$ 25,000 IN MEDICINES TAKEN INTO EPMG MILITARY CUSTODY AT TIME MISSIONARIES ORIGINALLY LEFT GHINDA. GETACHEW REPLIED ON THIS POINT THAT AS ORIGINAL INTENT OF MISSIONARIES IN IMPORTING THESE MEDICINES WAS TO PROVIDE FOR CARE AND TREATMENT OF LOCAL NEEDY, HE GIVES HIS ASSURANCES THAT MEDICINES WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

3. GETACHEW ASSURED GALBRAITH THAT HE WILL NOTIFY HIM WHEN LOCAL SITUATION CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE FOR RETURN OF MISSIONARIES TO GHINDA. IT IS APPARENT THAT NEITHER PARTY, NOR CONGEN, ANTICIPATE THAT THIS SITUATION WILL ARISE IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

4. ORIGINAL OF LETTER SENT DIRECTLY TO GALBRAITH.

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